REMARKS

Claims presented for prosecution in this Application is claim 21. Claim 21 has been allowed, while claim 20 has been newly canceled. In view of Applicants' remarks below, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 21 is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the present Response be considered and entered, the rejections to the claims be withdrawn, and that the case now be passed to issue.

The 35 USC 102(b) Rejection of Claim 20 over James

The Examiner has rejected claim 20 as being anticipated by Latawiec. In response, Applicants respectfully assert that the outstanding rejection is now moot, given the cancellation of claim 20.

Without conceding to the validity of the outstanding Office Action, and merely in an attempt to advance prosecution, Applicants have newly canceled claim 20 from the present application. Applicants therefore respectfully request withdrawal of the outstanding rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has indicated remaining claim 21 as being allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the remarks above, it is respectfully submitted that claim 21 is allowable, and an early action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number below to expedite resolution of any issues that the Examiner may consider to remain unresolved. In particular, should a Notice of Allowance not be forthcoming, the Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned for a telephonic interview, an Examiner's Amendment, or the like, while the outstanding issues are fresh in the mind of the Examiner.

It is believed that no fees or deficiencies in fees are owed. However, authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 13-0235 in the event any fees are owed.

Respectfully submitted,

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